# Sociology Scoop

### **CSUF Sociology Newsletter, October 2022 Issue**

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### **Upcoming Events**

#### → Tuesday, 11/01/22

Dia de los Muertos by the Latinx Community Resource Center (LCRC) in Pollak Library (PLS) 180

**12:00-2:00pm,** Mi Cultura Cura: Creating a Community Alter

**2:00-2:50pm**, Community Connections: Honoring loved ones

**4:00-6:00pm,** La Gran Reunion: Oan de muerto, music, and goodie bags

→ Tuesday, 11/01/22, 5:00-7:00pm Black Student Healing Circle in Pollak Library (PLS) 182

→ Tuesday, 11/01/22, 4:15-5:15pm AKD Sociology Club x CAPS Thought Wellness Workshop

→ Monday, 11/08/22, 2:30-4:00pm The African American Resource Center (AARC) is hosting a resume workshop in PLS 180

→ Thursday, 11/17/22, 12-1pm RSVP, Making Internships Work: Effective Strategies for Finding, Starting, & Ending Your Internship in PA 217

→ Wednesday, 11/30/22, 3-4pm RSVP, Resume & Cover Letter Lab in Career Center LH-208

# **Advising Information**

Sociology advisors have been meeting with students, but if you aren't able to have a one-on-one meeting, we encourage you to check the sample advising plans on the department website and to watch the advising webinar from Spring 2022.

4-year sample plan: https://www.fullerton.edu/undergraduate/academic\_roadmaps/roadmaps/hss/SOCI.php

#### 2-year sample plan:

http://hss.fullerton.edu/sociology/advising\_and\_tutoring/2\_Year\_Sample\_Academic\_Plan\_Catalog\_Year\_Fall\_2019\_v2.pdf

Webinar Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q0VzqQpIk6w

The advisors will be conducting graduation checks (grad checks) towards the end of fall semester. **You do <u>not</u> need to make an appointment for your grad check.** Instead, once your grad check is complete, you will receive an email from one of the sociology advisors letting you know whether you are on track for the spring graduation or whether there are missing requirements that you still need to fill.

# AKD Sociology Club News

AKD Sociology Club provides a great opportunity to become involved at CSUF, while also meeting people, finding your place within the department, and learning about relevant and timely topics. Here's some highlights at our Boo-Tacular pumpkin carving event with catered sandwiches from Panera Bread thanks to ASI & HSS ICC!



To learn more, click <u>SOCIOLOGY CLUB LINK</u> or cut and paste the following link into your browser: <u>http://hss.fullerton.edu/sociology/students/Soci\_Club.aspx</u>

# **Resource Highlight**



# **The LGBT Queer Resource Center (LGBTQRC)**

### Diversity Initiatives Resource Center (DIRC) Pollak Library South, Room 189

The LGBTQORC acts as a community hub for CSUF's LGBTQ+ community. The LGBTQRC's physical location provides a safe space for students, staff, and faculty on the CSUF campus, houses the newly re-opened Gender Affirming Closet, and is the site of regular workshops and mixers.

The LGBTQRC maintains an active virtual presence to provide accessibility for all students. In-person and virtual events are posted on their Instagram @LGBTQ.CSUF & additional resources are listed at <a href="https://www.fullerton.edu/lgbtq/">www.fullerton.edu/lgbtq/</a>

#### Annual Events

- The <u>Rainbow Welcome</u> (<u>http://www.fullerton.edu/lgbtq/programs-events/programsevents.php</u>) is a yearly welcome back luncheon held each Fall semester.
- The Lavender Celebration (<u>http://www.fullerton.edu/lgbtq/lav-recognition/index.php</u>) celebrates LGBTQ+ graduates. In addition, the LGBTQRC sponsors multiple events during National Coming Out Week each October. 2022 events included a resource fair and drag show!

#### Ongoing Services

- The Queer Peers Mentorship Program is dedicated to supporting LGBTQ+ students during identity development, provides resources to encourage academic success, and much more!
  - Apply to be a Queer Peer Mentee (https://airtable.com/shrqoE9j5a3W9Lnav) by 11/14/22
    - To be a Mentor contact Nat (natbetancourt@fullerton.edu)
- The Gender Affirming Closet provides free clothing reflective of their gender expression. Donations are accepted at the LGBTQRC in Pollak Library.
  - To shop (for free!) <u>Make an Appointment</u> (<u>https://calendly.com/lgbtqrc-f/30min?month=2022-10</u>)

Instagram: @lgbtq.csuf Email: lgbtq@fullerton.edu

# **Faculty Highlight**

**Dr. Patricia Literte's** love for sociology began in urban studies and expanded through networking events in sociology when she attended the University of Southern California (USC) where she received both her Master's and PhD. She is now an Associate Professor of Sociology at CSUF, Director of the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, and Director of the Titan Scholars Transfer Program (TSTP). She spends much of her time working with and mentoring students who identify as first-generation, low-income, under-represented, and/or who are transfer students.



Dr. Literte is a well-respected faculty displaying this in

all of her responsibilities. As the director of both the McNair Program and the TSTP, she is responsible for overseeing and ensuring that the services within each program meet the needs of students. The McNair Scholars Program is a fully funded federal program that assists students in preparation for a Ph.D. program, offering mentorship, grad school visitations, and much more that is found in the links above! TSTP equips students though professional develop, seminars, graduate school preparation, and much more. Dr. Literte's research background shows her proactive attitude toward increasing diversity and inclusivity by providing accessible resources to students.

Dr. Literte describes her approach to mentorship as holistic. She understands that individuals aren't only students, but have other identities with obligations that require their attention. Her piece of advice is, "do not be afraid to network." Reach out to professors and make those connections!

About Dr. Literte: <u>http://hss.fullerton.edu/sociology/faculty/profile/p\_literte.aspx</u> McNair: <u>https://www.fullerton.edu/mcnair/</u>

TSTP: http://www.fullerton.edu/mcnair/titan\_scholars/

TSTP Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/csuf\_titanscholarsprogram/?hl=en

# **Tips from Peer Mentors**

### **Campus** Opportunities

Searching for a sense of belonging? Need help finding a community? CSUF has plenty to try:

>ASI has Commissions Positions open (including academic stipends)

>Student Recreation Center hosts awesome outdoor events like the Ladies Only Sespe Wilderness Backpacking

>TSU Food Court has a GrubHub service for convenient bites

>TitanLink displays all 300+ clubs and organizations to join, like AKD Sociology Club (https://www.fullerton.edu/sll/involvement/ clubs/titanlink.php) Are you considering applying to CSUF for a master's in sociology? If so, try to take courses with full-time professors. Full-time professors will serve on your thesis committee, as mentors, and as your graduate program seminar professors. Be proactive & start developing relationships with full-time faculty now. Attending their office hours is a great start and increases your strength in networking. Find the list of full-time faculty members at: Sociology Full-Time Faculty

For a more organized scheduled visual when you prepare for registration, use the Titan Scheduler. To access the tool, follow these steps: CSUF Portal  $\rightarrow$  Student Homepage  $\rightarrow$ Manage Class  $\rightarrow$  Titan Scheduler. When scheduling classes, consider gaps between classes so you have time to get there and prepare yourself to engage!

## Department Kudos

**Dr. Dana Collins** presented a paper titled "'Eat that Nostalgia': Filipino Foodways and Food Consciousness in L.A." in June 2022 at the international conference *Halo-Halo Ecologies: A Transnational Workshop on Emergent Philippine Environments and Foodways.* The paper will appear as a chapter in the edited book *Halo-Halo Ecologies* to be published by University of Hawai'i Press.

*Professor Jessica Moss* and her Applying Sociology in the Community (SOCI 306) class have been granted the opportunity to take care of a plot at the CSUF Campus Garden. They've planted and will tend to mint, peas, peppers, cauliflower, parsley, and kale.

